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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 9, line 25, delete "What is claimed is:".

IN THE CLAIMS

Page 10, line 1, insert --What is claimed is:-Please amend claims 2-6 as follows:

- 2. (Amended) A device according to [any preceding] claim 1, wherein an attenuator is provided between the transducer and the outlet for the egress of the acoustic signal when in the earpiece mode.
- 3. (Amended) A device according to claim 1, [or 2] further comprising an amplifier for amplifying the electrical signal prior to inputting to the transducer and a gain control